

Topics

ELDA Updates

- Testing Window (Feb. 9-Mar. 20, 2015)
- Identification/NSSRS Field 95 (By December 1)
- Redesignated students, Field 113
- Results/AMAOs (Will be calculated following AYP Determinations)

ELPA21 Updates

- Dates
 - Field Test Feb. Mar. 2015, roughly same time frame as ELDA
 - Operational Form Administered (ELDA Retired) 2015-16
 - Screener Available 2016-17
- Field Test
 - All Title III districts may apply/there will be a selection process
 - Registration Window: Oct. 6-17, 2014
 - Tier 1: All districts may volunteer
 - Tier 2: Depending on analysis by Questar, specific populations from states may be requested/recruited
 - Participants confirmed Nov. 10-14
 - Districts may also volunteer for a smaller-scale Pilot Test
 - Will be “in addition to” ELDA for 2014-15
- Nebraska Teachers’ Roles/Participation in ELPA21 Item Development
 - 21 participants
 - Passage review, item writing, content and bias reviews
- ELPA21 website: www.elpa21.org
- Online test with technology enhanced items/recording feature/universal design

NeSA Accommodations

- New Approved Guide on assessment website
- 2014-15 longer companion document available

Immigrant Education Grant

- \$10,715
- To be spent on Immigrant students only/Field 89
- Authorized Activities
- Letters/ FAQs from USDE

Nebraska English Language Proficiency Standards

- Can be found on Title III website
- Appendices Added/Edits made
 - A. Proficiency Level Descriptors
 - High-level summaries (function and form)
 - Detailed descriptors of forms at
 - Discourse Level (organization, cohesion, and stamina)
 - Sentence Level (sophistication of sentence structure)
 - Vocabulary Level (sophistication of vocabulary, word groups and grammatical forms)
 - B. Correspondences to Practices—Behaviors students use when engaging with content/investigations—requires knowledge, skills, discipline specific academic language
 - C. Students with Limited or Interrupted Formal Education (SLIFE)

Introduction to Title III Powerpoint/NCLB Day

- On Federal Programs Website/Title III Webpage
 - Historic Court Decisions/provision of services
 - Overview of OCR, State Rule 15, and Title III
 - Title III Authorized Activities—LEP and Immigrant
 - Supplement/Supplanting Guidance
 - Support for Nonpublics
 - TransAct

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